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Date: Fri, 13 Jun 2003 19:03:12 EDT
From: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: QRP-L digest 2950

QRP-L Digest 2950

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by "Martin Hartwell" <chartwell@worldnet.att.net>
- 16) [152308] Six meters is wide open -- great QRP opportunity tonight
by Caitlyn Martin <ku4qd@earthlink.net>
- 17) [152309] head phones
by "KD7SNX Rob. C" <kd7snx@earthlink.net>
- 18) [152310] RE: Headphones for CW
by "KD7SNX Rob. C" <kd7snx@earthlink.net>
- 19) [152311] WANTED: Box and packing for a Yaesu FT-7

- by Caitlyn Martin <ku4qd@earthlink.net>
- 20) [152312] Re: AmQRP and Paypal
by Paul <mooney@cytanet.com.cy>
- 21) [152313] TAC Logs
by "Ron Polityka" <wb3aal@fast.net>
- 22) [152314] Re: WANTED: Box and packing for a Yaesu FT-7
by "Karl Larsen" <k5di@msn.com>
- 23) [152315] Re: AmQRP and Paypal
by Joe Martin <km5cw@arrl.net>
- 24) [152316] F/S Key and Paddle
by <nf7v@cox.net>
- 25) [152317] PSK31 and GPS as distress beacon?
by KC8WBK <cruisenewsnet@yahoo.com>
- 26) [152318] Re: WANTED: Box and packing for a Yaesu FT-7
by Brad Thompson <Brad.Thompson@valley.net>
- 27) [152319] Re: Head phones
by Dan Tayloe <dtayloe@cox.net>
- 28) [152320] Re: Headphones for CW
by "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
- 29) [152321] Re: WANTED: Box and packing for a Yaesu FT-7
by Caitlyn Martin <ku4qd@earthlink.net>
- 30) [152322] RE: Head phones
by "Boulineau, Lee" <lee.boulineau@attws.com>
- 31) [152323] Useful stuff!
by "Leon Heller" <leon_heller@hotmail.com>
- 32) [152324] Morse RTC - progress
by "Steven Weber" <kd1jv@moose.ncia.net>
- 33) [152325] Re: Six meters is wide open -- great QRP opportunity tonight
by William R Colbert <w5xe@juno.com>
- 34) [152326] Re: Head phones
by "Karl Larsen" <k5di@msn.com>

Date: Thu, 12 Jun 2003 18:42:43 -0400
From: "E. Roswell" <eroswell@monmouth.com>
To: njqrp@njqrp.org
Cc: EPA-QRP <EPA-QRP@yahoogroups.com>, NoVAQRP <NoVaQRP@topica.com>, QRP-L <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [152293] Re: [NJQRP] NorCal Keyer pics posted
Message-ID: <3EE901E3.BA4E3A86@monmouth.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Note that the pics show the header pins mounted on the I/O pads of the PCB,...these and the header wires shown in the one photo do NOT come with the kit (but are a good idea).

Ed.

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George Heron N2APB wrote:

> Take a look at the neat pics we now have on the NorCal Keyer web page! Ed
> Roswell, K2MGM from the NJQRP Club contributed these nice shots.
>
> <http://www.amqrp.org/kits/NCKeyer/index.html>
>
> These photos, plus the very useful Quick Reference Chart we put up there
> yesterday, have so inspired me to get my own NC Keyer project built up, now
> that I'm home from biz travel for a long weekend. Should go together in 30
> minutes and I'll be on the air this evening.
>
> 73, George N2APB
> n2apb@amsat.org
>
> PS: I've given the AmQRP home page (www.amqrp.org) a new face, with larger
> fonts and generally easier to read. Thanks for everyone's suggestions along
> the way!
>
> ===== NJ QRP Club Mailing List =====
> To unsubscribe from this list, send email to listserver@applegate.org
> and put the text "unsubscribe njqrp" in the message. To post a
> message to the list, send email to njqrp@njqrp.org.

Date: Thu, 12 Jun 2003 19:29:42 -0400 (EDT)
From: Doug Faunt N6TQS +1-510-655-8604 <faunt@panix.com>
To: fpqrp-1@fpqrp.com, QRPP-I@yahoogroups.com, qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [152294] Re: [152237] Everyone - Help!!
Message-ID: <200306122329.h5CNTgG11330@panix1.panix.com>

It's probably somewhat more effective to send a standard letter, but the first words should be the line as stated. And make sure you include your home address, so they know you are a constituent.

If you send email, which isn't ignored any more, use the "please..." line as your subject, and include your home address, for the same reason.

Anything else you say should be short and to the point, but isn't really necessary.

73, doug

Date: Wed, 11 Jun 2003 14:21:57 -0500
From: "Brian Murrey - KB9BVN" <brian@iquest.net>

Every ham in the United States needs to sit down and get three QSL cards. On each one write:

PLEASE SUPPORT HR 713 AND S 537 NOW!

Send one to each of your Senators, and one to your US Representative.

There are 675,000 hams in the USA....let's let them know how we feel about this bill.

INARRL BULLETIN 024-2003
14:05:00 EST 06/11/2003 de KB9BVN

RE:Amateur Radio Spectrum Protection Act

June 11, 2003 - Today in Washington DC, ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, testified on behalf of House Resolution 713 "Amateur Radio Spectrum Protection Act".

If approved, the Amateur Radio Spectrum Protection Act would amend the Communications Act to require the FCC to provide "equivalent replacement spectrum" to Amateur Radio if the FCC reallocates primary amateur allocations, reduces any secondary amateur allocations, or makes additional allocations within such bands that would substantially reduce their utility to amateurs.

Haynie has said he's looking forward to the opportunity to state the League's case. Haynie's appearance in support of the legislation is considered critical to enhancing the measure's credibility, and it marks a major step toward getting HR 713 through Congress this year.

The most recent cosponsors to sign aboard HR 713 include representatives Sam Farr (D-CA), Edolphus Towns (D-NY), Sheila Jackson-Lee (D-TX), Steve Israel (D-NY), Roscoe Bartlett (R-MD), Clay Shaw Jr (R-FL), John Duncan Jr (R-TN), Dennis Rehberg (R-MT), David Price (D-NC), Gary Miller (R-CA) and Bart Stupak (D-MI). Indiana Representatives appear to be missing from the list of co-sponsors.

HR 713 is sponsored by Florida Republican Michael Bilirakis, a subcommittee member. Idaho Republican Michael Crapo has introduced an identical version of the legislation, S 537, in the US Senate.

Haynie continues to encourage ARRL members to urge their senators and representatives and to cosponsor the bills.

A sample letter is available on the ARRL Web site. Those writing their lawmakers are asked to copy their correspondence to the League via e-mail.

Sample Letter: <http://www.arrl.org/govrelations/arspa.html#sample>

Date: Thu, 12 Jun 2003 19:16:14 -0500
From: "Pat Whelton" <pwhelton@earthlink.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [152295] NorCal Resistor Kit
Message-ID: <00da01c33141\$0074dd80\$8901a8c0@Earthlink.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

The NorCal resistor kit arrived in Houston today. First time I've ever seen a \$3.85 postage stamp. Pretty neat.

Thanks,
Pat - KZ5J

Date: Thu, 12 Jun 2003 16:24:28 -0800
From: <mm1esg@compuserve.de>
To: dock0evz@earthlink.net
Cc: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [152296] RE: head phones
Message-ID: <557fcd6f.cd6f557f@compuserve.de>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Language: de
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Disposition: inline
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Doc,
I checked the RS website and couldn't order # 33-1122, finding only parts for these headphones. Are you sure they are still available? Mni
tnx es 72, Chris kf6vci

----- Originalnachricht -----

Von: "Doc K0EVZ" <dock0evz@earthlink.net>
Datum: Donnerstag, 12. Juni 2003 6:15 am
Betreff: RE: head phones

> Rob:
>

Date: Thu, 12 Jun 2003 17:32:03 PDT
From: James R Giammanco <n5ib@juno.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.edu
Subject: [152297] CQ Pesky Texans - Lubbock TX
Message-ID: <20030608.192754.9599.0.n5ib@juno.com>

Any list members in the Lubbock TX area?? Local ham clubs? Skywarn groups?

I'll be heading there right after Field Day, July 1 or 2, to move my son Ian, KD5PU0, into his new digs so he can attend Texas Tech's grad school in meteorology.

72
Jim N5IB

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Date: Thu, 12 Jun 2003 20:03:13 -0500
From: Michael Goins <mgoins@usa.net>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [152298] NorCal keyer kit
Message-ID: <066HFmBDN5760S06.1055466193@cmsweb06.cms.usa.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=ISO-8859-1
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable

My keyer kit arrived today in Houston, and it looks pretty cool. really pretty small, and a terrific-looking board. Mine will be free-standing, so I alr=

eady
had a special "cabinet" set aside for it, hoping it would fit - and it does! =

Thanks Doug and all for another great one. Looking forward to the new organization's efforts as you work together. =

72,
mike
wb5yjx
100% Solar station: SW20+, SW30+, NE4040, RockMite40
Mobile: FT-817 @ 1 watt, CW and SSB
QRP-ARCI 3922 (former managing editor, QRP Quarterly), =

SOC 54, Flying Pig 447, QRP-L 2130, Adventure Radio 810,
Alaska QRP 514, QCWA 30857

Date: Thu, 12 Jun 2003 21:03:50 -0400
From: "Tom Mc" <thom2@worldnet.att.net>
To: <pwhelton@earthlink.net>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [152299] Re: NorCal Resistor Kit
Message-ID: <007501c33147\$a9a4e160\$2051580c@x2f6a2>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi,
I guess I missed it -can someone give me any info on the resistor kit? I checked the Norcal web page, but didn't see anything about it
Thanks in advance
Tom McCulloch
WB2QDG

-----Original Message-----

From: Pat Whelton <pwhelton@earthlink.net>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Date: Thursday, June 12, 2003 8:39 PM
Subject: NorCal Resistor Kit

>The NorCal resister kit arrived in Houston today. Fist time I've ever seen
>a \$3.85 postage stamp. Pretty neat.
>
>Thanks,
>Pat - KZ5J
>

Date: Thu, 12 Jun 2003 17:10:30 -0800
From: <mm1esg@compuserve.de>
To: unlisted-recipients;; (no To-header on input)
Cc: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [152300] Radio Shack headphone # changed to 33-1222 after change
Message-ID: <9e855540.55409e85@compuserve.de>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Language: de
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Disposition: inline
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi,

33-1122 is no longer available, but RS claims they only made cosmetic
changes, so 33-1222 is the new order number. 72, Chris kf6vci

Date: Thu, 12 Jun 2003 21:35:36 EDT
From: WE7X@aol.com
To: WE7X@aol.com, qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [152301] Re: 8 pin mike connector source
Message-ID: <180.1b9acbd4.2c1a8468@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Well, I got a deluge of e-mails telling me to look at Radio Shack, but nobody
offered a part number

-so I looked again,

and sure enough, I'd missed it in the catalog. That is
embarrassing.

Thanks to all.

Rod Johnson
WE7X

Date: Thu, 12 Jun 2003 20:44:16 -0500
From: "Mark Andrews \(\KE4IOF\)\" <KE4IOF@ke4iof.com>
To: "QRP-L" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [152302] AmQRP and Paypal
Message-ID: <005f01c3314d\$4d4fbce0\$596ffea9@carrera>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Doug, George et. al.,

Is AmQRP going to accept Paypal? NorCal shunned it, while NJQRP accepted it widely.

I went to the new website today and was going to signup for Homebrew, but there was no Paypal link. However, all the NJQRP club kits seem to have a link to Paypal, while none of the NorCal projects do. Is this going to be up to the individual in the club coordinating the kits/publications?

My two cents: Start taking Paypal across the board! :-)

Mark

Mark A. Andrews, KE4MA
QRP-L 146, QRP-ARCI 10574, QRPp-I 217

Date: Thu, 12 Jun 2003 18:43:43 -0700
From: Steve Smith <sigcom@juno.com>
To: thom2@worldnet.att.net
Cc: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [152303] Re: NorCal Resistor Kit
Message-ID: <20030612.184343.2956.1.sigcom@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

here you go:
<http://amqrp.org/kits/resistor/index.html>

73.....Steve Smith, WB6TNL
Oxnard, CA USA
"Snort Rosin"

On Thu, 12 Jun 2003 21:03:50 -0400 "Tom Mc" <thom2@worldnet.att.net>
writes:

> Hi,
> I guess I missed it -can someone give me any info on the resistor
> kit? I
> checked the Norcal web page, but didn't see anything about it
> Thanks in advance

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Date: Thu, 12 Jun 2003 21:24:23 -0500
From: "Jeff Davis" <ke9v@aol.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [152304] Re: AmQRP and Paypal
Message-ID: <3EE935D7.6020703@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; CHARSET=us-ascii

I couldn't agree more.

PayPal Haiku:
Click, Pay, Easy. Good.
Write check, address envelope,
stamp, trip to Post Office, Bad.

72, Jeff

Mark Andrews (KE4IOF) wrote:

> Doug, George et. al.,
>
> Is AmQRP going to accept Paypal? NorCal shunned it, while NJQRP accepted it
> widely.
>
> My two cents: Start taking Paypal across the board! :-)

Date: Thu, 12 Jun 2003 22:33:41 -0700
From: "stan mcintosh" <mcintosh@triad.rr.com>
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [152305] miniboots filter recalc
Message-ID: <000201c3316d\$5a2b76a0\$5a0da318@triad.rr.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Anyone recalculated the output filter for 80 meters? Am contemplating an attempt (with 120 pF on the transistor side included due to internal capacitance). If someone else has done it, though, then I'd rather piggyback off of their efforts.

stan
kd4bth

Outgoing mail is certified Virus Free.
Checked by AVG anti-virus system (<http://www.grisoft.com>).
Version: 6.0.487 / Virus Database: 286 - Release Date: 6/1/03

Date: Thu, 12 Jun 2003 21:51:06 -0500
From: "John Burnley" <jburnley@ifmc.org>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [152306] Re: The fun starts tomorrow - Friday June 13, 2003
Message-ID: <see8f5d7.086@iaweb02.ifmc.org>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
Content-Disposition: inline

Pickett, my apologies for the error. I've looked at that wording several times and missed the mistake each time. Boy when I goof, I really goof. The PIG is an FB kit and I look forward to building it in Sioux City.

Again thanks for the help and I'll see if I can get some pics of the event

to show everyone.

72, John

>From Pickett....

Thanks for the plug John.. glad to help.

That is actually a "Power/INDICATOR" Guard. The indicator is for low voltage.. it turns on an LED when your battery gets down to 11 volts so you will know it is time to change batteries.

Most of us use a NoGa PiG all the time.

Pickett, AD4S

Remember also that it has real estate for a K1EL keyer and a static hiss filter. We don't provide the parts but all the information for these 2 components is in the documentation.

Date: Thu, 12 Jun 2003 23:08:13 -0400
From: "Martin Hartwell" <chartwell@worldnet.att.net>
To: "QRP-L" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [152307] Head phones
Message-ID: <LCEBJOKPGPNGOAKECJNGMEEOCKAA.chartwell@worldnet.att.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi all

I have been following the thread on head phones with interest. I have and use a pair of phones from Radio Shack designed just for communications, if they haven't quit stocking them They are 600 Ohms light weight and have good sound. They don't completely cover the ear which allows some background noise in, but some like me like that. I used to use the kind that cover your ears completely a lifetime or two ago, but we had a little poodle that loved to sneak up on me just when I was deep in concentration, and jump up on my lap, scared a few lifetimes out of me, I figured if I could hear the toe nails on the floor I would be warned. Then too my wife would sneak up behind me like that a put her hand on my

shoulder,
there went a lifetime there to.

All in all the open head phones are what I like. But boy I don't like those kind that stick in your ear.

Marty kd8bj

Date: Thu, 12 Jun 2003 23:24:59 -0400
From: Caitlyn Martin <ku4qd@earthlink.net>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [152308] Six meters is wide open -- great QRP opportunity tonight
Message-ID: <20030612232459.29848b31.ku4qd@earthlink.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi, everyone,

We have a very nice opening on 6m from NC to TX and OK. I'm also hearing weaker signals to the northwest and north. I just got a 59 from N5WYN in EM12 near Dallas, TX, and I was running 10W PEP SSB into a 3 el. beam at 33', so conditions are quite good.

73,
Caity
KU4QD

Date: Thu, 12 Jun 2003 21:13:36 -0700
From: "KD7SNX Rob. C" <kd7snx@earthlink.net>
To: "message post" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [152309] head phones
Message-ID: <000b01c33162\$29d9ee10\$2841b83f@Cravers>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

thanks to all that have helped me I have lots to think about when I head to radio shack, wal-mart, and other want to be electronic stores. hi hi.

Thanks,

73

Rob. C
KD7SNX

Date: Thu, 12 Jun 2003 21:17:38 -0700
From: "KD7SNX Rob. C" <kd7snx@earthlink.net>
To: "message post" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [152310] RE: Headphones for CW
Message-ID: <001701c33162\$ba4584a0\$2841b83f@Cravers>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Charles, W2SH wanted me to cop/past this to the qrp-1 list
he wrote:
Rob,

The honest truth is that none of the presently marketed headphones is
suitable.

Yes, they are light and comfortable and inexpensive. But they all try, and
alas to a great extent they succeed, in providing the listener with a wide
frequency response.

For some time, I have toyed with the idea of getting a couple of 1-2-inch
loudspeakers and fashioning some kind of tuned cavity on the back of each
such that the response would peak fairly sharply at 600 Hz. As a headset,
it would be a weird looking contraption with a short pipe projecting outward
from the back of each transducer.

Bob Heil, K9EID, who is very much a guru of tailored audio, had a fairly
hefty representation at this year's Dayton Hamvention. Although Bob wasn't
there when I dropped by, several other persons were present. I said to one
that it would be wonderful if Bob could take a break from designing
microphones and develop a set of headphones which would be suitable for CW.
To my delight, my respondent said, "He's working on it."

I haven't made any further enquiries on the matter, but given Bob's solid
track record over many years, if or when he markets CW-friendly headphones,
I am confident they will be real winners.

73 es 72,

Charles, W2SH

P.S. Rob, I seem to have difficulty posting to QRP-L. If you wouldn't mind, and if you feel the above information might interest others, would you be good enough to post it on my behalf. Many tnx, Chas.

Rob. C
KD7SNX

Date: Fri, 13 Jun 2003 02:11:02 -0400
From: Caitlyn Martin <ku4qd@earthlink.net>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [152311] WANTED: Box and packing for a Yaesu FT-7
Message-ID: <20030613021102.4040e961.ku4qd@earthlink.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi, everyone,

I am expecting an offer for a new job that will require me to relocate. I'd like to make sure my ancient Yaesu FT-7 makes it to the new QTH intact.

Does anyone have the original box and packing for an FT-7 that they would be willing to sell? If so, please e-mail me with the price you'd want.

Thanks and 73,
Caity
KU4QD

Date: 13 Jun 2003 12:58:52 +0100
From: Paul <mooney@cytanet.com.cy>
To: ke9v@aol.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [152312] Re: AmQRP and Paypal
Message-ID: <1055505532.2483.26.camel@localhost>
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=iso-8859-13
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 8bit

On Fri, 2003-06-13 at 03:24, Jeff Davis wrote:
> I couldn't agree more.

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> PayPal Haiku:
> Click, Pay, Easy. Good.
> Write check, address envelope,
> stamp, trip to Post Office, Bad.
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> 72, Jeff
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> Mark Andrews (KE4IOF) wrote:
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> > Doug, George et. al.,
> >
> > Is AmQRP going to accept Paypal? NorCal shunned it, while NJQRP accepted it
> > widely.
> >
> > My two cents: Start taking Paypal across the board! :-)
>
>

Hi,

I couldn't agree LESS. Paypal are under investigation in at least 3 states.

Links to sites providing further information on paypal can be found at <http://www.masterpiece-paintings-gallery.com/paypal-problems.htm>

I have no connection to the link site or any of the others, but my personal interest: I am a PayPal customer who is unable to access an account frozen by the company after a couple of years use. I have been given no reason for the freezing other than it was a check to prevent fraud.

At their request I have attempted to prove my identity on several occasions, each time a further request has been added. I now refuse to add any further personal info (so far the requests have included copies of my passport, driving license, credit card account statement, and utility bills) as I feel that their intrusions are way over the top. As the account is frozen I cannot close it. As I cannot close it I cannot open a new account from my current e-mail address.

As I am not a resident of the US, I am not eligible to take part in the class actions against Paypal, and am only glad that the account held only a few dollars.

***So, AmQRP, if you do use PayPal, my advice would be to close the NJQRP

account as soon as possible, make NO mention of the AmQRP until you open a NEW account with that name, and keep minimal funds in that account at all times - its better that you get the interest on the cash than Paypal and, should your account be frozen you lose out less.

Be careful. They are not a bank, they are not federally insured (they have there own pass-through FDIC insurance coverage .

Hope this helps,

Paul M.
G7SPV

Date: Fri, 13 Jun 2003 07:38:48 -0400
From: "Ron Polityka" <wb3aal@fast.net>
To: ". QRP-L" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [152313] TAC Logs
Message-ID: <05d801c331a0\$5c090810\$a9e35cd1@wb3aal>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hello,

Just a reminder to all those that made even a few QSO's during the TAC 2003 Contest. Please visit www.n3epa.org and click on TAC Contest and send in you log. You can send it via e-mail. If you are not sure on how to do the scoring just send me your log in text or Excel Spreadsheet format and I will figure what your score is for you.

72 & Good DX
Ron de N3EPA
El Presidente'
n3epa@fast.net
www.n3epa.org

Date: Fri, 13 Jun 2003 06:35:43 -0600
From: "Karl Larsen" <k5di@msn.com>
To: ku4qd@earthlink.net, qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU

Subject: [152314] Re: WANTED: Box and packing for a Yaesu FT-7
Message-ID: <BAY3-F31KT4Zc6yoYnW0003b4b1@hotmail.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; format=flowed

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Date: Fri, 13 Jun 2003 08:01:32 -0500
From: Joe Martin <km5cw@arrl.net>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [152315] Re: AmQRP and Paypal
Message-ID: <3EE9CB2B.63E3485C@arrl.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I'll add my mega ditto's to that. PayPal rules the day, it's safe, secure and works fast..

73 de KM5CW/Joe

Jeff Davis wrote:

> I couldn't agree more.
>
> PayPal Haiku:
> Click, Pay, Easy. Good.
> Write check, address envelope,
> stamp, trip to Post Office, Bad.
>
> 72, Jeff
>
> Mark Andrews (KE4IOF) wrote:
>
> > Doug, George et. al.,
> >
> > Is AmQRP going to accept Paypal? NorCal shunned it, while NJQRP accepted it
> > widely.
> >
> > My two cents: Start taking Paypal across the board! :-)

Date: Fri, 13 Jun 2003 9:25:25 -0400
From: <nf7v@cox.net>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [152316] F/S Key and Paddle
Message-ID: <20030613132525.JZUK6170.fed1mtao07.cox.net@smtp.west.cox.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=ISO-8859-1
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I posted this from home early Thur. evening and It never got here, so here it is again.

Please reply directly to me nf7v@cox.net
Prices include shipping Conus by priority mail

For Sale:

- 1) Vibroplex Iambic Paddle, Standard model (very low mileage) \$110
- 2) Nye Viking Master Key (also low mileage) \$70

Thank You
Russ NF7V
nf7v@cox.net

Date: Fri, 13 Jun 2003 06:54:42 -0700 (PDT)
From: KC8WBK <cruisenewsnet@yahoo.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [152317] PSK31 and GPS as distress beacon?
Message-ID: <20030613135442.81458.qmail@web20912.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

I would like to find a small HF PSK31 transmitter with a SOS beacon mode that would connect to a handheld GPS and in an emergency could be used to transmit a GPS coordinate with a preprogrammed SOS message. In concept, sort of a marriage between Tiny Trak and a Small Wonder PSK31 kit. This would use the existing network of ham PSK31 operators to relay a distress call.

In an emergency, hang an antenna, connect the GPS and turn the transmitter on.

This could be a relatively inexpensive way for hams to carry a distress beacon and call for help when out in remote areas or offshore. However, there may be better commercial products that can do this.

I know that there are marine products (EPIRBS) that will do this now, but what about off-road driving, hiking, biking, etc. APRS can probably do this now, but with VHF I would be concerned about no reception in remote areas.

> Subject: [152236] RE: GPS transmitters question

> Brian,
>
> There are some cell phones that supposedly contain
> GPS receivers that can
> relay one's location to an "Enhanced 911 Service"
> (E911). The one I'm

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KC8WBK

<http://www.qsl.net/kc8wbk>

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Date: Fri, 13 Jun 2003 10:17:22 -0400

From: Brad Thompson <Brad.Thompson@valley.net>

To: k5di@msn.com,

"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: [152318] Re: WANTED: Box and packing for a Yaesu FT-7

Message-ID: <5.0.2.1.2.20030613101109.021d3d20@pop3.norton.antivirus>

Mime-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

Hello--

I would agree with everything Karl wrote (and especially the part about double-boxing),
except for using crumpled newspapers as packing material. These don't provide either
enough bulk or rigidity to do a good job.

We ship thousands of packages yearly, and I can testify that styrofoam peanuts work fine.

However, try to locate a wholesale paper-supplies company and buy a large (15 cubic foot)
bag of peanuts. We pay approximately \$16.00 for a bag of pink-tinted antistatic peanuts.

If you buy from an office-supply or a pack-and-ship store, you pay much more for many fewer
peanuts.

Your best bet: contact local stores or manufacturing plants that may get peanuts as packing.

They may have discards that you can get for free.

73--

Brad AA1IP

Brad Thompson, Bookseller

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>>Reply-To: ku4qd@earthlink.net

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>>KU4QD

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Date: Fri, 13 Jun 2003 08:06:50 -0700
From: Dan Tayloe <dtayloe@cox.net>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [152319] Re: Head phones
Message-ID: <3EE9E88A.AC7ABA8B@cox.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

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- Dan, N7VE

Date: Fri, 13 Jun 2003 11:11:53 -0400
From: "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
To: <kd7snx@earthlink.net>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [152320] Re: Headphones for CW
Message-ID: <006a01c331be\$2c0e7c80\$0200a8c0@charter.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

> The honest truth is that none of the presently marketed headphones is
> suitable.
>
> Yes, they are light and comfortable and inexpensive. But they all try,
and
> alas to a great extent they succeed, in providing the listener with a
wide
> frequency response.

Uh, that's why there's an aftermarket for audio circuits that tailor the
response.

To purchase good communication headphones tailored for such is too
small a market to keep prices down. Face it, it's impractical.

Even then, every person is different.

That's why I said TRY them. Find the best one for you. There is no
'magical' set of headphones that's perfect for everybody, so why try
to pretend there is anyway? If you can't find exactly what you want
and you're that critical of the sound, tailor the sound with circuitry.

Besides, if you're REALLY critical, the way you tailor for one set of
conditions is not necessarily how you tailor for ALL conditions. And
in that case, the BEST solution is to have a setup where the 'adjustable'
part (ie the headphones) are NOT limiting what you may be trying to
do with a small external circuit.

Mike

Date: Fri, 13 Jun 2003 12:17:45 -0400
From: Caitlyn Martin <ku4qd@earthlink.net>
To: "Karl Larsen" <k5di@msn.com>
Cc: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [152321] Re: WANTED: Box and packing for a Yaesu FT-7
Message-ID: <20030613121745.48293e5e.ku4qd@earthlink.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

On Fri, 13 Jun 2003 06:35:43 -0600
"Karl Larsen" <k5di@msn.com> wrote:

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> Hi Caitlyn, you can pack that radio so your move will not hurt it.

I got lots and lots of responses like this one. Once upon a time I worked in a ham radio store part time, and guess who did the shipping? Yes, I know how to pack a radio so it won't get hurt.

I still believe the original packaging is better than anything else. I also think it enhances the value of my rig.

The post was a longshot, I know, but I thought it was worth a try.

72,
Caity
KU4QD

Date: Fri, 13 Jun 2003 11:16:22 -0500
From: "Boulineau, Lee" <lee.boulineau@attws.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [152322] RE: Head phones
Message-ID: <90B09553A615CE4192A646D8CFA67DA8428EE4@TX-MSG05-CCC.wireless.attws.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="us-ascii"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable
content-class: urn:content-classes:message

Sennheiser makes great recording equipment (both mics and headphones)!! I use Sennheiser mics and headphones in the recording studio (I'm a jazz pianist who goes in to lay down comp tracks for vocalists), and they are absolutely marvelous for reproduction of the FULL range of the piano (about 50 to 16000 hz). Would I use them for ham radio ?? Probably not, because the frequency response is overkill. I use Koss ear buds a lot for SSB/AM because I like the spoken voice through them, but I might look for something different if I was a CW only dude!!

73 de N4MVL

Lee

-----Original Message-----

From: Dan Tayloe [mailto:dtayloe@cox.net]
Sent: Friday, June 13, 2003 11:07 AM
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion

Subject: Re: Head phones

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- Dan, N7VE

Date: Fri, 13 Jun 2003 17:41:32 +0100
From: "Leon Heller" <leon_heller@hotmail.com>
To: "Low Power" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [152323] Useful stuff!
Message-ID: <LAW15-DAV12ZkSYeSno0000b591@hotmail.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I just came across this web page, full of useful stuff:

<http://www.coe.montana.edu/ee/cady/misclink.htm>

73, Leon

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Leon Heller, G1HSM
leon_heller@hotmail.com
http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller

Date: Fri, 13 Jun 2003 13:55:00 -0400
From: "Steven Weber" <kd1jv@moose.ncia.net>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [152324] Morse RTC - progress
Message-ID: <002301c331d5\$2813fee0\$dfccfea9@turbotoo>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Made some more progress on the Morse output Real Time Clock gaget last night. My "one chip" solution was drawing too much current for battery operation - about 1 ma, so had to work on reducing that to a more reasonable level.

Ended up having to resort to an external time base. A 4060 osc/divider and an additional 4013 dual D flip-flop operating at 2.5 volts only draws about 50 uA. This "wakes up" an Atiny15 MPU once a second to count time. Since the MPU is spending most of it's time asleep, it only adds another 50 uA, for a total of 100 uA. Current goes up to just under 2 ma when it's sounding the time into a pizo speaker. The average current is now small enough to expect a reasonable life out of a couple of "AAA" or a lithium coin cell battery.

Using the external time base has some additional benifits. It allows using a MPU with internal clock and frees up I/O ports. It's now practical to add a keyer function back into the program. This means you can set the Morse speed to any thing you like (well, between 10 and 40 wpm) and have a basic, but functional, keyer built into it as well. Not that any of you need "Yet Another Keyer"- but it's there if you want it. We can now also set the time by keying in the numbers.

The only down side is it uses two additional chips, but if we build it with SMT parts, it will be pretty small. Looks like 1.0" x 1.5" would do it.

Okay, now that the basic clock is working, time to start adding features. Having it sound the time

once an hour is easy to do. I may add an alarm function too, possibly with it sounding a message you store :-) And of course, the all important time setting function.

A few of you have already said you'd buy this clock, but it would be nice to hear from some more of you, so that I know it is something worth investing in 100 kits of. Not sure of price of a kit yet, but should be \$15 or less.

72,
Steve, KD1JV
White mountains of New Hampshire
"melt Solder"
www.qsl.net/kd1jv/

Date: Fri, 13 Jun 2003 12:20:21 -0600
From: William R Colbert <w5xe@juno.com>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [152325] Re: Six meters is wide open -- great QRP opportunity tonight
Message-ID: <20030613.122023.-354821.7.w5xe@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

The band is also open this morning - especially into the west and northwest from El Paso. Calling frequency 50-125 is really busy, so have been working up from that. Low power is making the grade fine, but talk fast - hi!

73
Ray
"Texas can make it without the United States,
but the United States can't make it without Texas."
Sam Houston, Governor
Ray Colbert, W5XE, 00TC#3618, SOWP#1064M GQRP-6115
ARCI-5784 NCT2R FP-111 El Paso, (FAR WEST) TEXAS

Date: Fri, 13 Jun 2003 13:41:17 -0600
From: "Karl Larsen" <k5di@msn.com>
To: dtayloe@cox.net, qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU

Subject: [152326] Re: Head phones
Message-ID: <BAY3-F10Qw5SpBNGzdz0004ec34@hotmail.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; format=flowed

Hi Dan, I looked at the web page and found that most Sony earphones have a low impedance like 40 ohms and are very sensitive like 100 DB and will accept a big signal. The ones I Have are model MDR-101 which is not rated at the web page perhaps because it's too old. But this pair works fine with the SMK-1 and the audio level is quite high. I'm hard of hearing...:-)

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